The title page of the original edition of this play printed in 1597, corresponds with that at the other side, to the word death; after which follows—

"As it hath been lately acted by the Right honourable the Lord Chamberlaine his servants. | At London, Printed by Valentine Sims, for Andrew Wise, dwelling in Paules Church yard at the signe of the Angel. 1597."

The words "newly augmented" first appeared in the title page of the edition printed in 1602; which was believed the copy principally followed in printing the folio.

This copy has been collated with the edition of 1598, and the various readings are in the margin.

From this collation it appears that the errors of omission in this copy (to say nothing of the other numerous faults) are no less than twenty six: a striking proof of the value of first editions, and of what I have so often stated in my edition, that omission of words (and sometimes of lines) is one of the most common errors of the press. E. M.

Since the above collation was made, I have met with the edition of 1597, and collated it. The variations between the copy of 1597 and that of 1598 are set down, and are distinguished by being written in imitation of print.

Since I wrote the above I have got a copy of the 3d edit. See it in Vol. VI.